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SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MAY 3, 2005

Morgan Hill Civic Center
Council Chambers
17555 Peak Avenue

Senior Advisory Committee

Chair	William Keig
Vice-Chair	Kenneth Mort
Committee Member	Keith Cram
Committee Member	Susan Fent
Committee Member	Staten Johnston
Committee Member	Jeannette Riley
Committee Member	Gloria Subocz

Parks & Recreation	
Commission Liaison	Jeff Bernardini

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Keig called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Jeanette Riley was absent.

DECLARATION OF POSTING THE AGENDA

Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Ernie Rusconi, Community Action Group, announced that CAG is looking for a replacement for the late Marie Skinner who was the office manager for the Morgan Hill CAG office.

Citizen Walter Schenke announced that many city sidewalks are in need of repair and that this situation especially impacted the visually impaired.

VERBAL REPORTS

YMCA SENIOR PROGRAM MONTHLY UPDATE & CAG MEETING REVIEW

Senior Center Director Wyman

Patricia Wyman announced the recent activities at the Senior Center.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Commission Member Bernardini

Jeff Bernardini was not present.

COA ADVISORY COMMISSION

Representative Fent

Susan Fent requested that she provide her report on Agenda Item #6.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 5, 2005**
Minutes approved as read.

BUSINESS

2. THE FRIENDLY INN

Information Item. Julie Spier, Recreation & Community Services Division Manager, will comment on what plans the City may be considering for the use of the Friendly Inn once senior services are moved to the new Indoor Recreation Center. The SAC will discuss ideas for possible use.

Julie Spier informed the Committee that a survey was being conducted by Leslie Miles who would be interviewing a range of individuals, groups, and organizations regarding possible future use of the building.

3. INDOOR RECREATION CENTER

Information Item. Julie Spier, Recreation & Community Services Division Manager, will discuss staffing and program management plans. The SAC will discuss ideas for staffing and program management.

Julie Spier gave an overview of the facility with artist renderings and architectural plans of the exterior and interior of the facility. She briefly described the type of activities that would be taking place at the facility. She explained to the Committee that negotiations with the YMCA were still in progress and that at this time there was no information regarding how the facility would be managed.

4. SAC PROMOTIONAL LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

Action Item. Approve SAC promotional letter to the community and forward to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

The letter was approved and will be forwarded to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

5. VTA PARTRANSIT

Information Item. Susan Fent will update the Committee on current paratransit issues.

Susan Fent announced that VTA has adopted a new application process that includes a shorter application. VTA also announced that transportation to and from interviews and appeals will be provided free of charge.

6. IHSS

Action Item. Susan Fent will discuss Governor Schwarzenegger's proposed IHSS cutbacks.

Susan Fent announced to the Committee that Governor Schwarzenegger is proposing to pull the state portion of funding that provides supplemental wages and benefits to IHSS workers. The committee discussed writing a letter from the SAC to the Governor opposing such cuts. Susan Fent informed the Committee that the letter would need to be received by May 15th, 2005. As a letter could not be drafted and approved by the Parks & Recreation Commission and the City Council by this date, members were encouraged to write a private citizen letter opposing the proposed cuts.

7. CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE – SANTA CLARA COUNTY NEWS

Information Item. Provide monthly legislative update from California Senior Legislature.

The update was provided in the agenda packet.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Keig announced his resignation from the Committee effective in July.

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

Committee member Staten Johnston requested that he be placed on the July agenda to make a presentation regarding sidewalk access for seniors.

ADJOURNMENT to the next monthly meeting on **June 7, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 17555 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill.**